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For: DRIVING CIRCUIT INCLUDING ORGANIC ELECTROLUMINESCENT

ELEMENT, ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT, AND ELECTRO-OPTICAL DEVICE

SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please replace the Abstract filed with the Substitute Abstract attached hereto.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the specification with the Substitute Specification attached hereto.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 1-20 as follows:

1. (Amended) A driving circuit for actively driving an organic electroluminescent

display device in which a plurality of pixels each containing an organic electroluminescent

element, are arranged in a matrix, the driving circuit comprising:

a reverse-bias setting circuit which sets the organic electroluminescent elements

to a reverse-bias state on an area-by-area basis.

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